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SUBJECT:GOJ TEXTILE EXPANSION PLANS

REF: NORTON/KINGSLY TELECON OF MARCH 6

GENEVA FOR PHELAN

1. USG IS AGREEABLE TO GOJ REQUEST TO EXTEND PRESENT COT-
TON AGREEMENT FOR ANOTHER THREE MONTHS TO JUNE 30, 1975,
AND POSTPONE NEGOTIATIONS TO SOMETIME IN LATE MAY OR
EARLY JUNE. WE 'ILL PROPOSE DATES FOR THESE NEGOTIATIONS
LATER, AND WE FEEL THAT THIS IS SUFFICIENT TO MEET OUR
OBLIGATION UNDER THE ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL
TRADE IN TEXILES (MFA) TO AT LEAST BE IN THE PROCESS OF
BRINGING OUR BILATERALS INTO CONFORMITY WITH ITS PROVISIONS
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BY APRIL 1. WE WILL EXCHANGE NOTES HERE TO EFFECT THE

FURTHER EXTENSION OF THE COTTON AGREEMENT.

2. FYI SOME TIME AGO, PERHAPS AS MUCH AS A YEAR, DEPARTMENT HEARD THAT THE GOJ WAS CONTEMPLATING A SIXTY MILLION DOLLAR (THIS IS DOLLAR FIGURE, NOT SQUARE YARD FIGURE AS PREVIOUSLY STATED) EXPANSION PLAN FOR EXPORT OF TEXTILES, ESPECIALLY APPAREL ITEMS. SINCE THAT TIME, WE HAVE SEEN NO EVIDENCE THESE PLANS HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED IN ANY WAY.

IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL TO KNOW IF THE GOJ IS STILL CONSIDERING SUCH EXPANSION PLANS AND, IF SO, WHEN SUCH EXPANSION MIGHT COME ON STREAM, WHERE SUCH EXPORTS WOULD BE DIRECTED, ETC. ANY INFORMATION WHICH THE EMBASSY CAN DISCREETLY LEARN ABOUT THESE PLANS WOULD BE HELPFUL TO USG AS IT DEVELOPS ITS NEGOTIATING POSITION FOR BILATERAL TALKS WITH THE GOJ LATER THIS SPRING.

3. AN EARLY REPLY WOULD BE APPRECIATED. END FYI INGERSOLL

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